ECFS - Email Filing <PROCEEDING>96-45 <DATE>02/08/2005 <NAME>Karen Zeigler <ADDRESS1>PO Box 54 <ADDRESS2>PO Box 54 <CITY>Riner <STATE>VA <ZIP>24149 <LAW-FIRM> <ATTORNEY> <FILE-NUMBER> <DOCUMENT-TYPE> RC <PHONE-NUMBER> <DESCRIPTION> <CONTACT-EMAIL>zig1@swva.net <TEXT>I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and emergencies. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Between taxes, a 25% increase in my health insurance premium, cost of gas, and the general unaffordable cost of living these days I can barely afford it as it is. Please do not add this additional burden to my life! I use a pay as you go phone service only for emergencies and security. If you add to my cost I will have to give it up.

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